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AERONAUTICS ANNOUNCES 2003 ART CONTEST STATE WINNERS
NINE STUDENTS FROM SIX SCHOOLS TAKE TOP HONORS

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation's Division of Aeronautics and the New Hampshire Aviation & Space Education Council (NHASEC) are pleased to announce the state winners of the 2003 International Aviation Art Contest:

Group I – Ages 6-9

First Place: Rebecca Hashem, Webster Elementary School, Webster, NH
Second Place: Sam McCallum, Farmhouse School, Temple, NH
Third Place: Gregory Austin, Maplewood School, Somersworth, NH

Group II – Ages 10-13

First Place: Stephanie Coleman, Hudson Memorial School, Hudson, NH
Second Place: Noah McLeavey-Weeder, Josiah Bartlett Elementary School, Bartlett, NH
Third Place: Jennifer Wilson, Hudson Memorial School, Hudson, NH

Group III – Ages 14-17

First Place: Christopher Chase, Hollis/Brookline Middle School, Hollis, NH
Second Place: Jackie Lewis, Hudson Memorial School, Hudson, NH
Third Place: Chris Litchfield, Hollis/ Brookline Middle School, Hollis, NH

The artwork was judged in part for its creative use of the theme of the 2003 International Aviation Art Contest, which was "100 years of Powered Flight". The top three winners in each age category were forwarded as entries in the national competition.

Prize packages, which include introductory flights for the first place winners, will be awarded to the nine winners. Those contributing prizes included Daniel Webster College (Nashua), Sky Bright Aviation Inc. (Laconia), Ossipee Valley Aviation (Rochester), Concord Aviation Services (Concord), Manchester Airport and the New England Region of the Federal Aviation Administration.

Sponsored by a number of state, national and international organizations, the 2003 International Aviation Art Contest seeks to motivate and encourage young people to learn about and participate in aeronautics, engineering and science. More information on the NHASEC can be found on the Internet at www.nhdot.com.

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